



# **JOINT TECHNICAL ARCHITECTURE**

**Version 3.1**

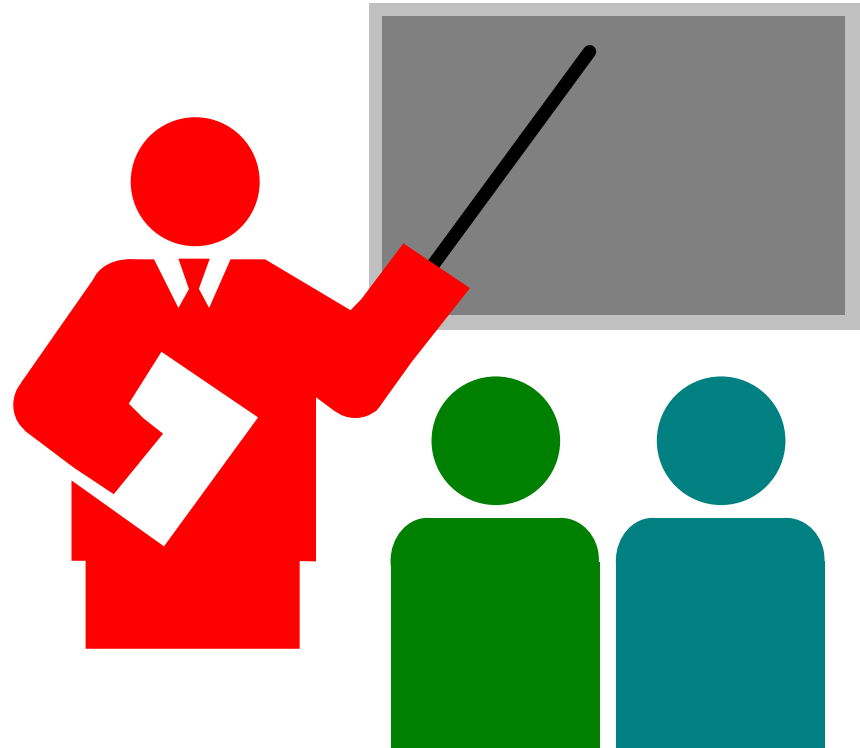
**(JTA Version 3 with Substantive Change 1)**



# Briefing Outline

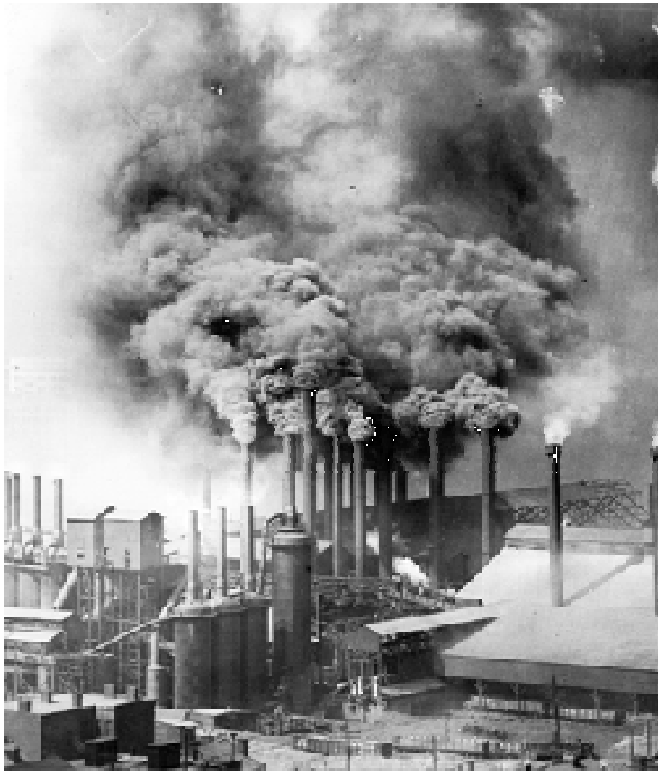


- **Background**
- **Overview**





# The Need

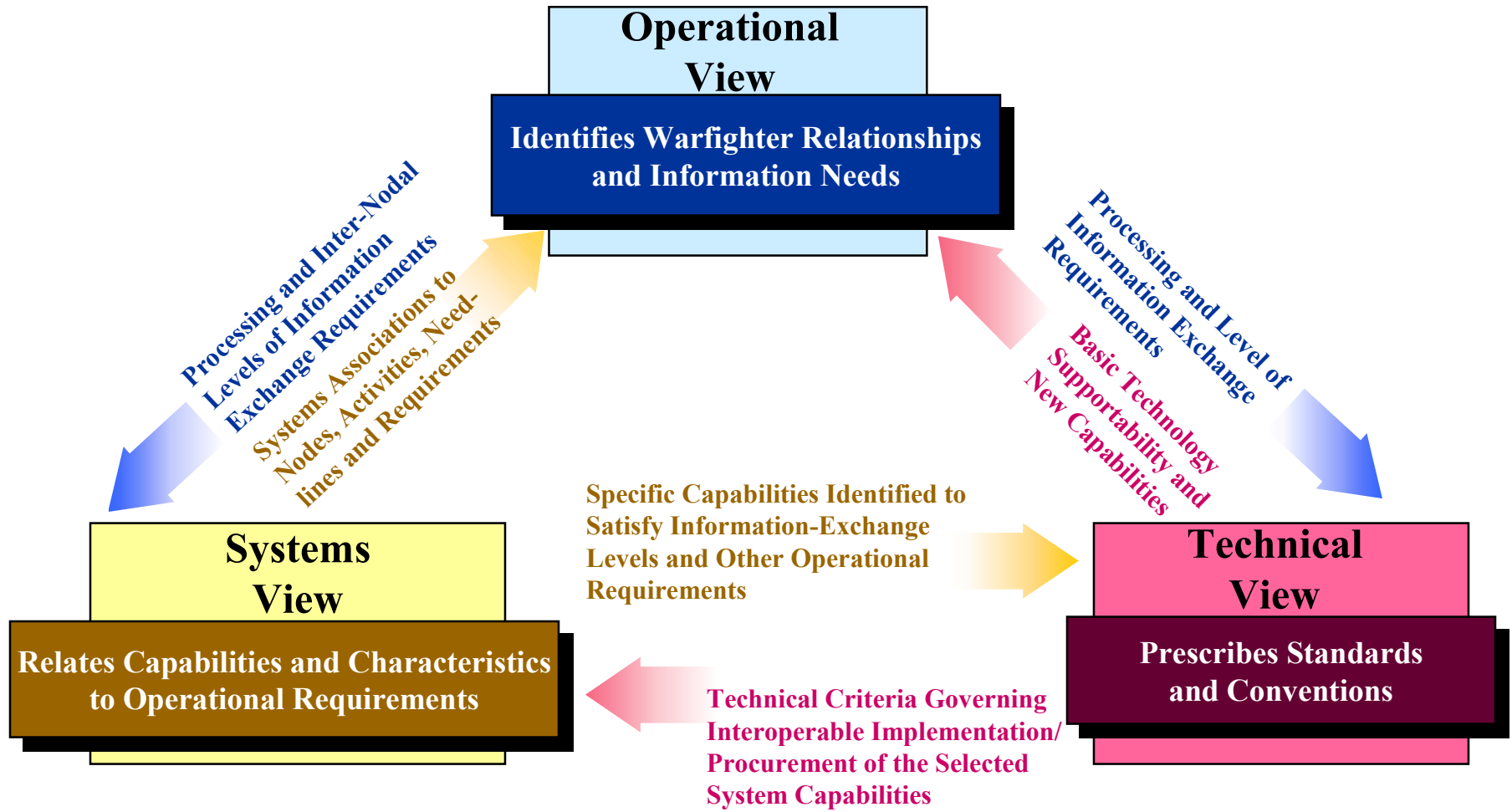


**C2, Weapon Systems,  
Health Services,  
Acquisition, Logistics,  
Finance**

- **Future operations will increasingly be Joint**
- **Lack of interoperability within and across Services**
- **Lack of common technical guidance**
- **14 Nov 1995 ASD(C3I) memo directed the development of a single technical architecture, so that systems can be born Joint and interoperable**
- **1996 USD(AT&L) and JCS/J6 joined with ASD(C3I) to form**
  - **Technical Architecture Steering Group**
  - **Architecture Coordination Council**



# C4ISR Architecture Framework

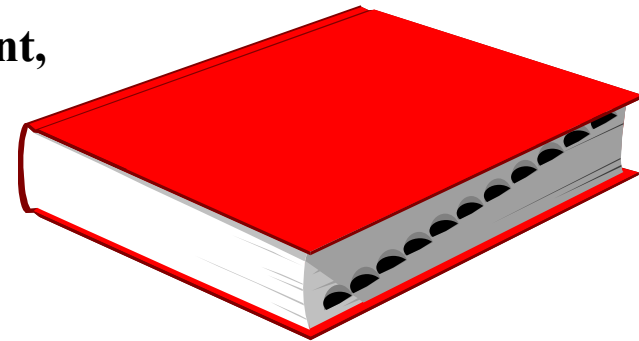




# Definition of Technical Architecture



“A minimal set of rules governing the arrangement, interaction, and interdependence of the parts or elements of a system whose purpose is to ensure that a conformant system satisfies a specified set of requirements.”



- **Identifies the services, interfaces, standards, and their relationships.**
- **Provides the technical guidelines for implementation of systems upon which:**
  - **Engineering specifications are based**
  - **Common building blocks are built**
  - **Product lines are developed**

Source: C4ISR Architecture Framework, Version 2.0, 18 Dec 1997



# Community Participation in JTA



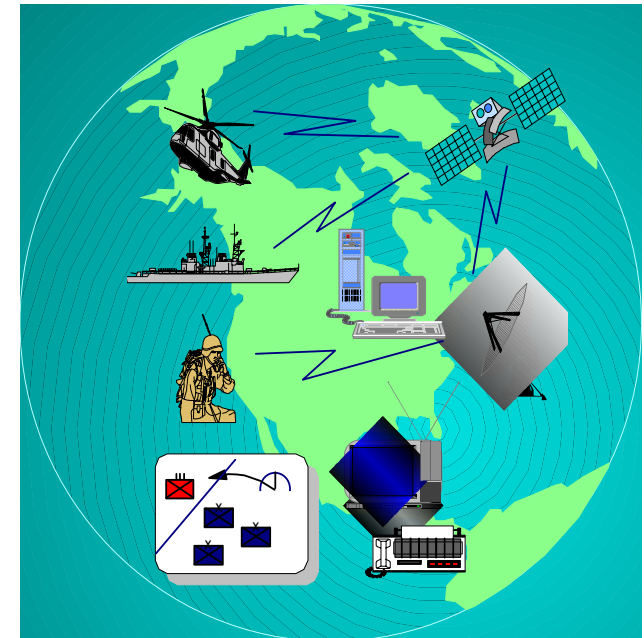
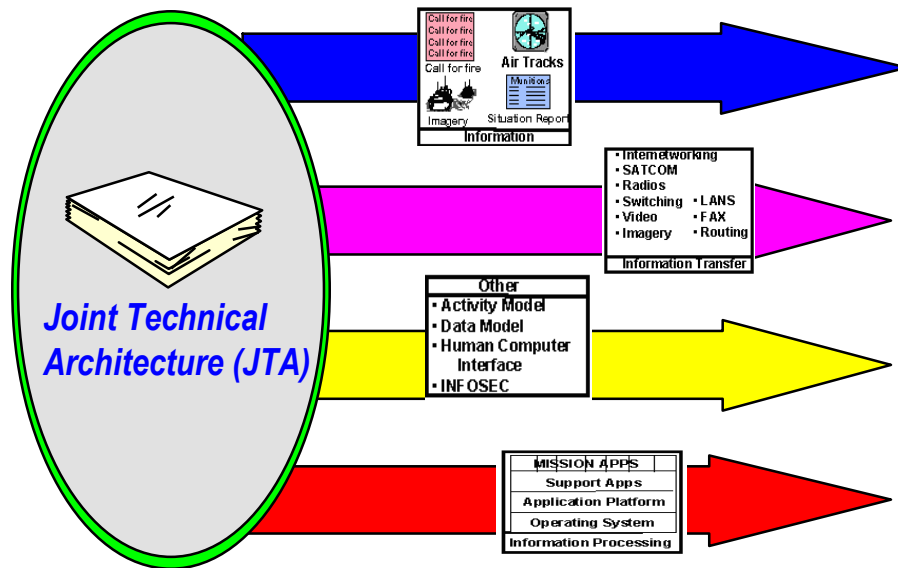
- **Uniformed Services**
  - Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard
- **Intelligence Community**
  - NRO, NSA, NIMA, DIA/DoDIIS
- **Defense Agencies**
  - DISA, DLA, DFAS
- **Joint Staff and Combatant Commands**
  - JS/J6, USSOCOM, USTRANSCOM
- **Principal Staff Assistants**
  - OASD(C3I), OUSD(AT&L)/OSJTF, OASD(HA)
- **Others**
  - BMDO, DARPA, DMSO, Weapons Systems Community



# Joint Technical Architecture Scope



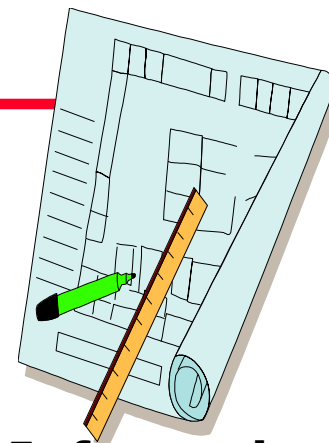
**“Defines DOD’s minimum set of rules governing the arrangement, interaction, and interdependence of the parts or elements, whose purpose is to ensure that systems conform with a specific set of requirements. It identifies system services, interfaces, standards, and their relationships.”**



**Consists primarily of interface standards/protocols for information transport, content and format, and information processing**



# Organization of the JTA Version 3.1



## **1.0 JTA Overview**

## **2.0 JTA Core**

### **2.1 Introduction**

### **2.2 Information Processing Standards**

### **2.3 Information Transfer Standards**

### **2.4 Information Modeling, Metadata, and Information Exchange Standards**

### **2.5 Human Computer Interface Standards**

### **2.6 Information Security Standards**

## **JTA Domain and Subdomain Annexes**

### **C4ISR - C4ISR Domain Annex**

- **CRY - Cryptologic Subdomain Annex**
- **NCC - Nuclear Command and Control Subdomain Annex**
- **SR - Space Reconnaissance Subdomain Annex**

### **CS - Combat Support Domain Annex**

- **ATS - Automatic Test Systems Subdomain Annex**
- **DTS - Defense Transportation System Subdomain Annex**
- **MED - Medical Subdomain Annex**





# Organization of the JTA Version 3.1



**M&S - Modeling and Simulation Domain Annex**

**WS - Weapon Systems Domain Annex**

- **AV - Aviation Subdomain Annex**
- **GV - Ground Vehicle Subdomain Annex**
- **MD - Missile Defense Subdomain Annex**
- **MS - Missile Subdomain Annex**
- **MUS- Munition Systems Subdomain Annex**
- **SS - Soldier Systems Subdomain Annex**

## **Appendices**

**A Abbreviations and Acronyms**

**B List of Mandated Standards and Sources**

**C Document Sources**

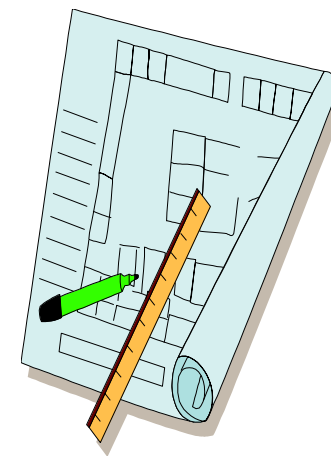
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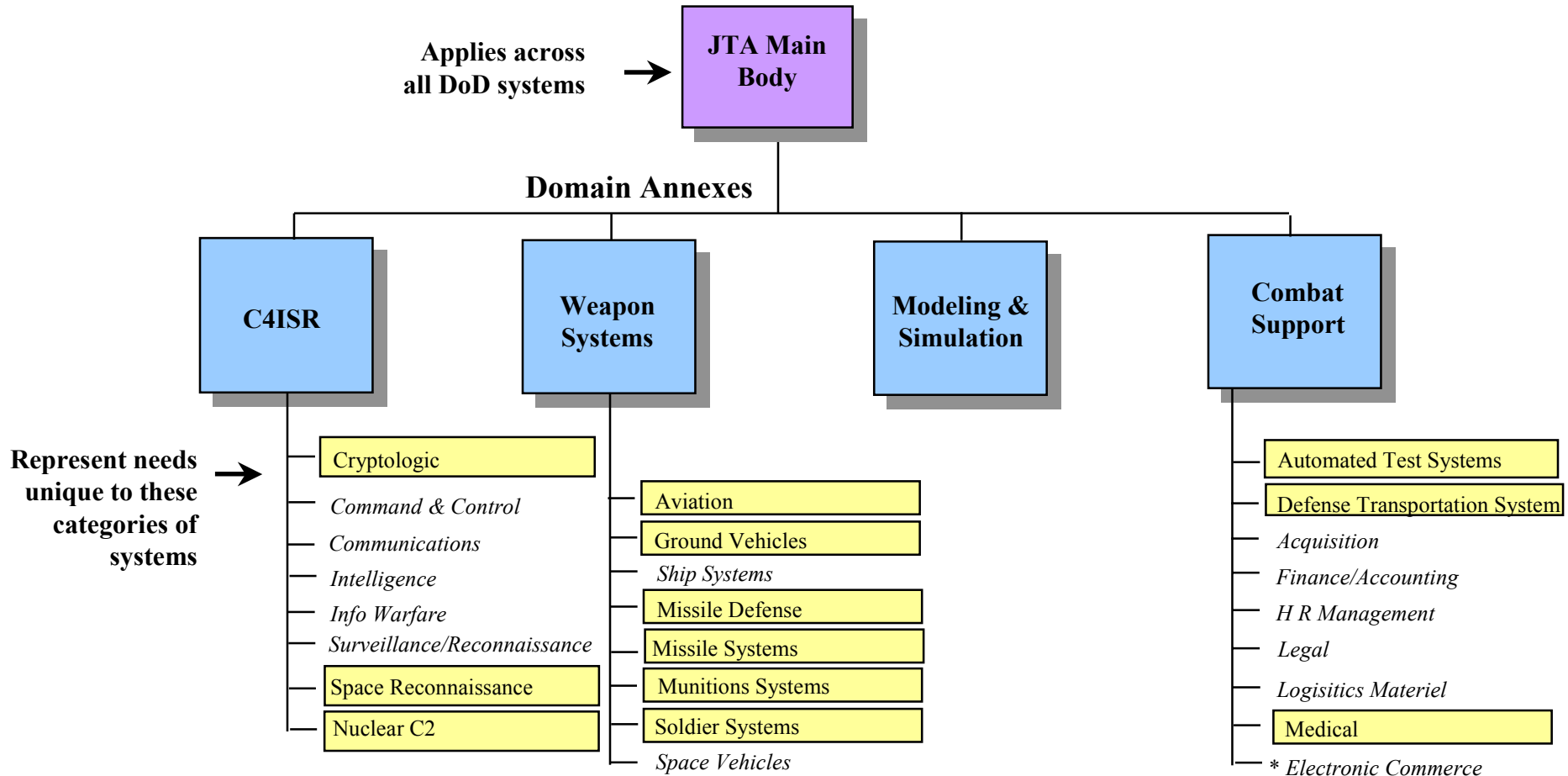
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# JTA Document Hierarchy

(Core Identified in Version 1.0 and  
Domain Annexes Added in Subsequent Versions)





# DOD Architecture Efforts

## DoD Technical Reference Model (TRM)

- Describes services and interfaces to be used in developing technical architectures (TAs) and TA views
- Assists in solving interoperability and portability issues

## C4ISR Architecture Framework

- Ensures that architectures developed for Joint Task Forces and Combatant Commands are capable of being:
  - Interrelated
  - Uniformly compared
  - Integrated. . . across Joint and multi-national boundaries

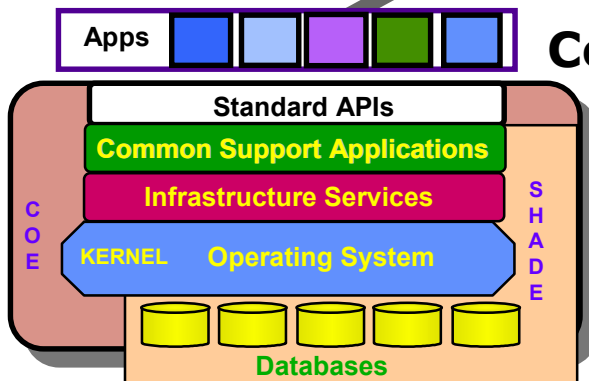
**JTA**

Establishes a technical architecture for C4I interoperability



## Common Operating Environment(s)

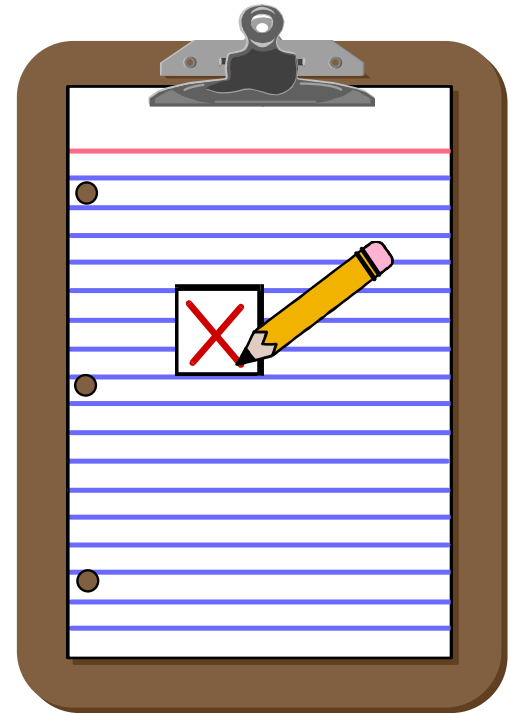
- Instantiation of C4I Technical Architecture focused on (but not limited to) Information Processing
- The JTA mandates the use of the COE





# Standards Selection Criteria

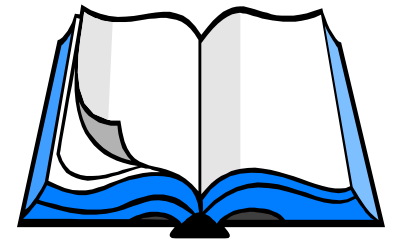
- **Criteria**
  - Critical to interoperability or business case
  - Mature service, interface, or standard
  - Technically implementable
  - Publicly available
  - Consistent with authoritative sources
  - Prudent balance of multiple criteria
- **Order of Precedence**
  - International industry
  - National industry
  - Government
  - Military





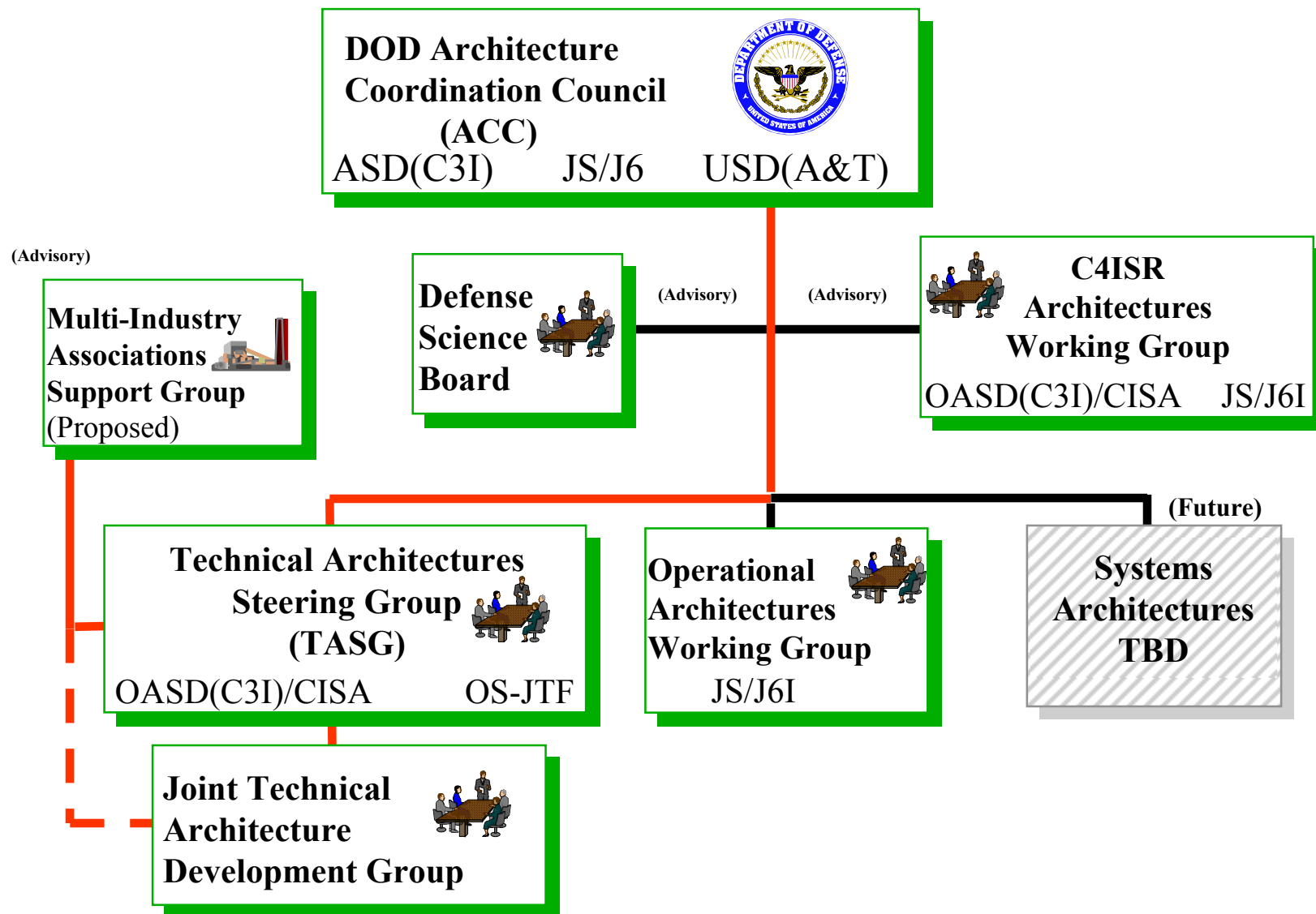
# How Will the JTA Evolve?

- **JTA will evolve to keep pace with standards and technology, and to include other domains**
  - Major release cycle currently every 5 quarters
  - Interim releases between major releases as Substantive Changes (indicated by dot-x, e.g. 3.1 means Version 3, Substantive Change 1)
- **JTA Configuration Management involves full DoD and Industry participation**
  - Implementors
  - Domain Experts
  - Technology Developers
- **Current development and usage tools will be augmented with a Virtual JTA Tool Set**





# ACC Organization Structure





# JTA Review Cycle



- **DOD/Industry Review Period & Comments**
- **JTA Representative Coordination of Comments & Sponsorship**
- **JTADG Subgroup Comment Review and Update Recommendations**
- **JTADG Review and Approval**
- **TASG Approval**
- **ACC Approval**





# JTA Mapping / Harmonization Activities



- **Defense Information Infrastructure, Common Operating Environment (DII COE)**
- **The Open Group Architecture Framework (TOGAF)**
- **Command and Control, Communications, and Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) Architecture Framework**
- **International Coordination, e.g.:**
  - **NATO C3 Technical Architecture**
  - **Allied Communications Protocol 140, "Common Information Technical Architecture" (ACP 140)**
- **Defense Standardization Program (DSP)**

